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Maggie's Enlightenment.

[From Women's Life.]

"Maggie!" These exclamations-the former in a one of tearful entreaty, the latter in de-

mixed feelings in his breast. He is the brown in Jack's fills of "boas-controctor."

Dr. Kerrl I'm so glad you've ease read this," said Mix Deven ut Jack's letter land his hands led to be of service," answered with the structure of the control of the wind of the word of uncentiably handsome after his style, and there was much power behind the small strang eyes eyes which had carned for him Maggie's fille of "boa-contrictor."

"Oh, Dr. Kerr! I'm so glad you've come; please road this," said Mrs. Devon as she put Jack's letter late his hands "Delighted to be of service," answered the doctor.

"Tabould like to assure myself," he said, holding out his hand for the portrait, and Jack passed it without hemitation or demur.

Kerr looked at the card with an intentions, which was rather everdency then he tere it across, and threw the places into the fire.

"The rascal—you are risk."

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till in great irritation.

Kerr took up the album, found the coung fellow's likeness, and studied it so ong that his hostess begun to lose pat-

ience.

"You seem attracted, Dr. Kerr," she said, fanning herself vigorously: "I hope his 'good looks"—which do not appeal to my notion, I may say—have not bewitched you as they have Maggie."

"Nothing of the kind, I assure you," retorted Kerr, blandly: "but I seem to have a sort of recollection of the face. I trust that I am mistaken, for the recollection scarcely does the original credit."

"Oh!" cried Mrs. Devon, impulsively, my poor girl. Doctor, you'll help me to ight against her infatuation, will you

"With all my heart, provided that my memory has played me no trick. May I take this portrait for a day or two to attempt to verify the recollection?"
"By all means. Oh, I'm so glad I sent for you, and Maggle will learn to thank you for saving her from this designing nerson."

That young hay was uncomfortably surprised to see Dr. Kerr ushered in a week or so after her flight. "He's sent to fetch me back." she thought. "Well, I'm of age, and he dare not use force."

We shall see"
"You see in me, Miss Devon," said the doctor, "a man charged with an unplessant though kindly mission."
"I'm flot coming back," Maggie broke

The Kansas Avenue.

Was found her waist.

Kerr kept a discreet silence, and looked stendily out of the window.

Tam ready to accompany you, Dr. Kerr," said the girl, suddenly, in a broken voice; "but the lady of the house must never know of her nephew's perfidy. That carte must have been taken aimost at the same time as another which he sent to me in the summer. Cruel, unmanily deceiver."

"It was seeing his portrait in your alhum that enabled me to perform you.

this service," Kerr said, kindly. "I you will allow me, I will make a suitable explanation to the aunt, without any reference to this incident."

Jack's aunt, Mrs. Solly, the dear old soul, as he had fittingly described her, scarcely knew what to make of the girl's sudden resolve, but Kerr's diplomatic statement that the mother thought her daughter's marriage should take place at



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HUMOR OF THE DAY.

The teacher asked the class wherein my the difference in meaning between the words "sufficient" and "enough."

"'Sufficient,' "answered Tommy, "is when mother thinks it's time for me to stop eating pudding: 'enough' is when I

"Why do you always tip your barber?"
"Want him to keep quiet," said Skidpoles. "It is not a tip, you know, but
hush money."—Kansas City Star.

You may think you're smart in business, and a rapid money-maker; That you're galloping ahead while oth-ers crawl. But it's well you should sonsider that the plodding undertaker Is the final overtaker of us ail.

-Philadelphia Press.

"The spectacle presented in the Brit-

"The spectacle presented in the British house of commers yesterday would be utterly impossible here." asserted the Practical Politician.

T should hope so," answered the Casual Caller. "To have members dranged from the hall by the police is not an edifying sight."

"Oh, well," said the Practical Politician, "The not go so far as to say that members might not be dragged out by the police in this country. The point I make is that this couldn't happen to frish members of any governmental body negan legan was the case in London."

"Why not!"

"Hecause of the nationality of our police well then to ask!"—Chleage Evening Post.

Phili-What would you call a short acquaintance?

Jill—Why, Gill; I tried to borrow a quarter from him, and he didn't have it.

—Yonkers Statesman.

She-The opera was a bore-positively

"The safe have fell over, ma'am, on top of the new sample haht, and mashed it," said the apprentice, producing a jumbled mass of flattened millinery.

"Ah now it is a perfect dream! Put a rew card on it. 'Crushed shades: latest out. Price \$59.39,'" said the delighted St. Catherine street milliner.—Montreal Star.

clever struke to think to destroy all fashion to write letters in dialect."
"Why:" "Then I could reply to those hits is morestrous, sir," Kerr replied course in the dictionary every time."—
"Mrs. Devor. Miss Devoy. you

"This is monstrous, sir," Kerv replied botly, "Mira Devor, Miss Devoe, you believe in my stegle-mindedness, I trust."

But Margie's old aversion cams back, and she made no reply. Her mother, if wrong-headed, was no fool, and replied, evasively:
"Doubtless Mr. Ludlow will be good enough to let the unfertuente affair drop, for our sakes."

This was a left-honded blow, but a

A Moral Lecture—Miss Upperten—
This was a left-honded blow, but a hard one, nevertheless, and Kerr saw that the game was up. But, assured that his reputation would not be assailed out of the house, he took his cue swiftly.

"This comes of taking another's trouthoused a year, trying to keep a yacht and a stable of horses—no wonder he's misseable!"—Puck.

Quite a Relief,—Husband—"What do you do when you hit your thumb with a hammer? You can't swear." Wife—"No: but I can think, with all my might and main, what a perfectly horid mean, inconsiderate, selfish brute you are not to drive the nails yourself."—New York Weekly.

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The Artistic Tousle—"O, May! how did you get your hair arranged so beautifully? "I did it up carefully and then played two games of basketball"—Puck.

No Rival.—Mr. Blinks—Who has been here? Mrs. Blinks—No one. Mr. Blinks—Huh! Who's been smoking those cigars you gave me last Christmas? Mrs. Blinks—No one, my dear. The lamp was turned up too high, that's all.—New York Weekly.

Carrie—Charley thinks my new gown just beautiful. He said last evening it was a perfect dream. What are you grinning at? Madge—Oh, nothing. I was only thinking that Charley told me only today that he has such horrid dreams—Boston Transscript.

The Improved Plan.—"Do you read a novel as most women do?" asked Ardent Admirer; "read the last chapter and then the rest of the story?" "Oh." said the Lovellest Girl, "that sort of thing is out of date, We now read the last chapter and then go to see the dramatization,"—Indianapolis Press.

Placing the Blame.—"My dear," said the meek Mr. Newliwed. "I don't like to complain, but this omelet you made..."
"What's the matter with it?" she inquired. "Well-er-it's rather hard to cut it, and..." "Gracious! I was afraid that man would send me tough eggs. I'll stop dealing with him."—Philadelphia Press.

Jackson-"The baby's getting more ike its mother every day." Johnson-"That so?" Jackson-"Yes; it's learning to talk."—

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